

- Lowering class size in grades K - 3.
- Unfreezing salaries and giving teachers and principals a pay increase for the first time in four years (an average of 1.8% for teachers and an average of approximately 1.54% for school administrators).
- Transforming the way we educate by investing in innovative new education solutions, such as the mobile technology already in place in approximately 480 schools across the state that helps teachers ensure that more children are able to read on grade level by the end of third grade.
- Recruiting, training and supporting teachers by restoring our investments in the Teaching Fellows program, the North Carolina Center for the Advancement of Teaching, and the Teacher Cadet program.
- Restoring funding for the Governor's Schools, NC School for the Deaf, Eastern School for the Deaf, and Governor Morehead School.
- Providing a net increase of more than \$53 million for the community college system.
- Increasing our investment in North Carolina's public universities by more than \$145 million, including funds to help ensure that working families across North Carolina can afford to send their children to college, and funds to accelerate the development and launch of commercial products derived from university research.

## **Investing in Jobs**